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**From:** Cannon, Phillippa [Cannon.Phillippa@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/19/2019 6:16:42 PM  
**To:** Benning, Brad [benning.bradley@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: UIC toenail metals project -- question about number of homes sampled in SE Chicago

Brad – do you have this information? Heriberto is away most of the week participating in an ICS exercise.

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**From:** Persky, Victoria Weyler <vwpersky@uic.edu>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 19, 2019 12:13 PM  
**To:** Leon, Heriberto <leon.heriberto@epa.gov>  
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**Subject:** RE: UIC toenail metals project

Hi Phillippa, we are going ahead with the proposal to measure toenail metals in residents of homes from which you obtained soil I have a few questions about how many homes were sampled and was there overlap with what CDPH previously measured. This will help with our budget and sample size estimates. Is there a time we could talk? My office is 312 996 4783; cell 312 330 0805 Thanks, Vicky Persky

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**From:** Leon, Heriberto <leon.heriberto@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 15, 2019 8:38 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: UIC toenail metals project

Hello Vicky,

1. I don't know of any instance where the Agency has contacted individuals, whose property the Agency sampled, on behalf of others seeking to conduct separate studies.
2. We will give a copy of the results letter to any property owner who requests it if they have lost them.
3. Specific addresses tested by the Agency is protected personally identifiable information under the Privacy Act of 1974, which therefore prevents the Agency from disclosing them.

I am out of the office next week through Thursday, February 21, but I'm copying my supervisor, Phillippa Cannon, in the event you have follow up questions regarding your inquiry. For technical questions about the site, the On Scene Coordinator of the SH Bell residential soil sampling study is Brad Benning, [benning.bradley@epa.gov](mailto:benning.bradley@epa.gov), 312-353-7619.



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**Subject:**

Our specific questions are

1. Would EPA be willing to contact families in SE Chicago whose soil you tested to see if they are willing to have you give us their contact information?
2. If we identify separately families whose soil you tested – if they lost the values you gave them and they give permission would you send the results again to them and to us?
3. Through a data sharing agreement with our university (UIC) without contacting the residents first would you be willing to give us the addresses and manganese and other metal levels (if tested)?

Heriberto, in follow-up to our conversation about our proposed project analyzing toenail metals in families whose soil you measured for Mn in SE Chicago. We are responding to an RFA due in two weeks for pilot funds. Is there some chance we could work with you on this? My contact information is office number 312 996 4783, cell 312 330 0805, home 773 5287335. Is there a time we could talk with others there? Vicky Persky